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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed December 13, 2002, applicants elect Species I, relating to FIG. 1, which corresponds to claims 6-12, without traverse.

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